Remarks

Reconsideration of the objections set forth in the Office Action dated January 3, 2007 is

respectfully requested.

Of pending claims 1-16, claims 1-8 and 16 were allowed and claims 9-15 were objected

to. In an effort to address Examiner's objections, Applicants amended claims 9 and 10 as

suggested by the Examiner suggested. Additionally, Applicants amended claim 14 to maintain

consistency with claim 9. As claims 9, 10, and 14 were amended per the Examiner's

suggestions, it is respectfully submitted that the objections to claims 9-15 have been overcome.

Conclusion

Therefore, in view of the amendments above and the remarks directed thereto, the

Applicants respectfully submit that all claims are now in condition for allowance, and believe

that the case may now be passed to issue. If a telephone conference would in any way expedite

the prosecution of this case, the Examiner is asked to call the undersigned at (408) 868-4088.

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